Courts

Cedar Court Land Purchase

DESCRIPTION

ESTIMATES

JUSTIFICATION

This request is for funding for the purchase of five parcels of land comprising 1.13 acres located west of the existing courthouse in Cedar City.

The current property owner desires to sell the property and it would be advantageous for the State to purchase the property while there is a willing seller. If the owner sells to another party, it may result in new development on this property which may preclude the State from being able to purchase it in the future.

The property will be used to replace and expand the parking that will be lost when the current facility is ex-

panded in the future to accommodate expected growth.

This expansion is being coordinated with Iron County which desires to purchase property in the same area for a justice court and county attorney office.

Total Request FY05	\$500,000
Construction	0
Design Fees	0
Property Purchase	500,000
Furnishings & Equip.	0
Utah Arts	0
Other	0
Total Est Cost	\$500,000
Previous Funding	\$0
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Other Funding	\$0
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Other Funding	\$0
Other Funding Request Type	\$0 Purchase
Other Funding Request Type Gross SF	\$0 Purchase N/A
Other Funding Request Type Gross SF Increased State O&M	\$0 Purchase N/A N/A
Other Funding Request Type Gross SF Increased State O&M New FTE Required	\$0 Purchase N/A N/A N/A

A planning study completed in 2001 indicated that an expansion of the Cedar courthouse will be required within 8 to 10 years to accommodate growth.

The population of Iron County is projected to grow by 28% from 2000 to 2010. Courts have projected that this will result in a 49% growth in the workload of the district and juvenile courts.

A large part of this increase is attributed to the disproportionate population growth that is projected for offender age juveniles.

This additional property is re-

quired in order to accommodate the anticipated addition to the courthouse and provide adequate parking.

